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Bahamas*: draft decision

Participation of non-governmental organizations accredited to the Fourth World Conference on Women in the work of the Commission on the Status of Women at its forty-first session

The Economic and Social Council, pursuant to paragraph 53 of the arrangements for consultation with non-governmental organizations as updated by the Council in its resolution 1996/31, under which the Council is empowered to decide on the participation of non-governmental organizations accredited to an international conference in the work of the relevant functional commission on the follow-up to and implementation of that conference, decides to approve the participation of the non-governmental organizations accredited to the Fourth World Conference on Women (see A/CONF.177/20, chap. II, para. 10) solely at the forty-first session of the Commission on the Status of Women, at which the Commission will be dealing with the follow-up to the Conference.

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* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

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ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUESTIONS: FOLLOW-UP TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 50/106: BUSINESS AND DEVELOPMENT

Ireland*: amendments to the draft resolution contained in document E/1996/L.26/Rev.1

1. Page 3, twelfth preambular paragraph, third line

For such as the work of the Council of Europe read such as the continuing work of the Council of Europe

2. Page 3, twelfth preambular paragraph, sixth line

After the phrase "to criminalize bribery" insert of foreign public officials

3. Page 3, operative paragraph 4 (a)

Replace the existing text with the following:

(a) To examine ways, including through legally binding international instruments, which, without in any way precluding, impeding or delaying international, regional or national actions to further the implementation of this resolution and the annexed Declaration, would promote the criminalization of corruption and bribery in international commercial transactions;

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* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the European Union.

4. Page 4, operative paragraph 6

The paragraph should be deleted.

5. Page 4, operative paragraph 8, second line

For fifty-second session read fifty-third session

6. Page 4, operative paragraph 8, fifth line

For by relevant business institutions read by relevant institutions

7. Page 4, operative paragraph 9, second line

For and private and public institutions read and relevant institutions

8. Page 4, operative paragraph 10, first line

For fifty-second session read fifty-third session

9. Page 6, operative paragraph 2

Replace the existing text with the following:

2. To criminalizing bribery of foreign public officials in an effective and coordinated manner;

10. Page 6, operative paragraphs 2 (a) and (b)

The paragraphs should be deleted.

11. Page 6, operative paragraph 3

Replace the existing text with the following:

3. To reexamining, with a view to denying it in countries which do not already do so, the tax deductibility of bribes, paid by any private or public corporation or individual of a member State to any public official of another country, in accordance with the basic principles of its legal order;

12. Page 6, operative paragraph 6

The paragraph should be deleted.

13. Page 7, operative paragraph 8

The paragraph should be deleted.

14. Page 7

The following new paragraph should be added at the end of the text:

Member States undertake that actions taken by them in furtherance of this Declaration will be confined to their own territory or to acts committed by their own citizens and further undertake to refrain from enacting legislation which purports to have extra-territorial effect.

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Draft decision submitted by the Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Karel Kovanda (Czech Republic), on the basis of informal consultations held on draft decision III contained in the report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (E/1996/102)

Documentation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

The Economic and Social Council affirms that the documentation of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations should be issued in all six official languages of the Council, and requests the Secretariat to prepare for the Council at its organizational session for 1997 an assessment of ways to implement this decision within existing resources.

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